OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD Washington 25, D.C.

May 3, 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR THE BOARD ASSISTANTS

SUBJECT: International Broadcasting Facilities

A. AGENDA ITEM FOR:

May 11 Board Assistants meeting

B. ACTION RECOMMENDED:

Concurrence in forwarding of attached report to the Board for consideration in light of changing conditions in critical geographic areas.

C. PREPARED BY:

The Technical Panel for International Broadcasting and the Committee for Broadcasting and Television in the form of a joint report, now revised by OCB staff in accordance with discussion at the meeting of the Board Assistants of April 27 referred to in E below.

D. REFERENCES:

NSC 169, October 27, 1953

ODM Progress Report on NSC 169 (Para 8) January 10, 1955

NSC Action 1317, February 3, 1955 NSC Memorandum (referencing above) March 24, 1955

NSC Memorandum (referencing above) April 15, 1955

NSC Action 1386b, April 28, 1955

TPIB Work Program, July 8, 1955

OCB Progress Report on NSC 169, February 1, 1956

E. BACKGROUND

The Department of State on April 3, 1956, requested that a study be made of the desirability, as a matter of urgency, of full implementation of NSC Action 1386b. A copy of the State Department request is attached.

This present paper is in lieu of the one originally presented at the Board Assistants' meeting of April 27. The Record of Actions of that meeting, dated May 1, 1956, follows:

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"Deferred action on the problem and requested additional information to: (a) sharpen the statement of the problem requiring OCB attention, (b) note any changes in the situation since the Council action in April 1955, (c) cover what has been done to date under NSC Action 1386-b, and (d) state actions needed to meet the requirements of the present situation."

Elmer B. Staats Executive Officer

Attachments (2)

- (1) Memorandum to the Executive Officer from the Operations Coordinator of the State Department dated April 3, 1956
- (2) Report on International Broadcasting Facilities dated May 3, 1956

